

A RESOLUTION
BY *Council member Jim M. Hox*
C.T. Martin

**A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND RATIFYING
THE CITY ATTORNEY'S ENGAGEMENT OF THE
LAW FIRM OF HOLLAND & KNIGHT TO SERVE AS
OUTSIDE COUNSEL TO THE CITY OF ATLANTA IN
CONNECTION WITH MATTERS PENDING IN THE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT FOR THE NORTHERN
DISTRICT OF GEORGIA; AUTHORIZING
EXPENDITURES FOR THAT PURPOSE IN AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.**

Whereas, there are certain matters proceeding in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia; and

Whereas, these proceedings have resulted in ongoing discussions between the City of Atlanta and the federal government related to the operations of municipal government; and

Whereas, these proceedings have presented a myriad of complex legal issues that have never been handled in the City of Atlanta; and

Whereas, Section 2-396 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances vests the City Attorney, as the director of the department of law "with complete and exclusive authority and jurisdiction in all matters of law;" and

Whereas, the City Attorney has determined that particular expertise in such matters is required to protect the interests of the City of Atlanta and its employees; and

Whereas, the City Attorney has determined that the firm of Holland & Knight has the expertise and capability in such matters most useful to the City of Atlanta and has therefore hired said attorneys.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES, acknowledges and ratifies the engagement of the law firm of Holland & Knight, by the City Attorney, to serve as outside counsel to the City of Atlanta on matters arising in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia during 2000 and 2001, including but not limited to representation of City employees who are witnesses in connection with their official duties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to remit payment of all legal fees, expenses and costs due for such legal services rendered by the law firm of Holland & Knight in connection with matters arising in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, and approved for payment in accordance with an agreement negotiated by the City Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, to be paid from Fund Account and Center Number 1AO1 524001 T31001.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED in the event that more than \$250,000.00 is needed to represent the City or to represent City employees who are witnesses in connection with their official duties, no expenditure shall be made without prior authorization by resolution of this Council.

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Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

RESOLUTION Holland & Knight as Outside Counsel Re.
Investigation; not to exceed \$250,000.00
ADOPT

YEAS: 5
NAYS: 7
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 1
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 3

Y McCarty	B Dorsey	N Moore	N Thomas
N Starnes	N Wooldard	Y Martin	N Emmons
N Bond	B Morris	Y Maddox	Y Alexander
Y Winslow	N Muller	B Boazman	NV Pitts

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6/4/01 - Motion to Refer FAILED
6/4/01 - Motion to Adopt FAILED

- ☐ CONSENT REFER
- ☐ REGULAR REPORT REFER
- ☐ ADVERTISE & REFER
- ☐ 1st ADOPT 2nd READ & REFER
- ☐ PERSONAL PAPER REFER

Date Referred **DATE TO LACK OF MAJORITY VOTE** JUN 04 2001

Referred To:

Date Referred

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First Reading

Committee _____
Date _____
Chair _____
Referred to _____

Committee

Date

Chair

Action:

Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side)

Other:

Members

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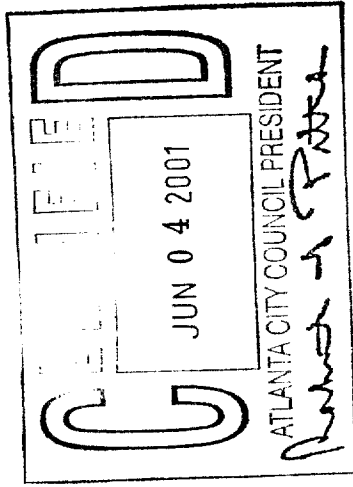
Members

Refer To

FINAL COUNCIL ACTION

- ☐ 2nd ☐ 1st & 2nd ☐ 3rd
- Readings
- ☐ Consent ☐ V Vote ☐ RC Vote

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JUN 04 2001
Blanche D. Johnson
MUNICIPAL CLERK

MAYOR'S ACTION